GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Prohibition and Excise Department – Allegation of Criminal Misconduct and Criminal Conspiracy against Prohibition & Excise Officials, Nellore District for their involvement in Liquor Syndicate Case – Disciplinary action initiated against Sri B.Venkateswarlu, the then Proh. & Excise Inspector, Nellore (presently working at Ongole) and two (2) others - Inquiry conducted - Inquiry report communicated to Charged Officer – Representation received - Imposition of penalty of two Increments without cumulative effect against Sri B.Venkateswarlu, the then P&E Inspector, Nellore presently working at Ongole – Orders – Issued.

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REVENUE (VIGILANCE.IV) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt No.674 **Dated.25.08.2020**

Read the following:-

1. From DG, ACB Lr Cr.No.23/RCO-NNL/2012, dt.12.10.2012. (Cr.No.2/RCO-NLR)/2012)
2. Govt. Memo.No.46420/Vig.V(2)/2012-3, dt.16.01.2013.
3. From DG, ACB Lr Rc.No.23/RCO-NNL/2012, Dt.29.04.2013
4. Govt Memo No.46420/Vig.V(2)/2012-5&6, dated 03.06.2013 & 20.08.2013 of Rev (Vig.V) Dept.,
5. Proceedings in Rc.No.341/2015/A1, Dt.06.10.2015 of Dy.Commr of P&E, Guntur.
6. WSD dated 29.12.2016 of Sri B.Venkateswarlu, Proh. & Excise Inspector, formerly Buchireddypalem, Nellore district.
7. G.O.Rt.No.259 Rev (Vig.IV) Dept, date 07.03.2017.
8. G.O.Rt.No.261 Rev (Vig.IV) Dept, date 07.03.2017
9. Govt Memo No.46420/Vig.IV.2/2012, dated 20.04.2017.
10. From Sri K.Venkateswara Rao, IPS, Director of Enforcement, P&E, A.P., Vijayawada Inquiry Report in Lr.Rc.No.18/2017/DOE-Peshi, Dt.07-05-2018. (Cr.No.18/2017/DOE-Peshi)
11. Govt.Memo.No.46420/Vig.IV.2/2012, dated 09.10.2018 of Rev(Vig.IV)Dept.,
12. From Sri B.Venkateswarlu, P&E Inspector, Enforcement, Ongole representation dated 13.11.2018.

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ORDER:

Whereas the Anti-Corruption Bureau authorities have registered a case under Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 against certain Prohibition & Excise Officials of SPSR Nellore district on the allegations of criminal misconduct and corruption for their involvement in liquor syndicate case. The Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, in his final report, has recommended for departmental proceedings against Sri B.Venkateswarlu, Prohibition & Excise Inspector, Nellore along with other Prohibition & Excise Officials.

2. And whereas, the Deputy Commissioner of Prohibition & Excise Department, Guntur has initiated disciplinary action by framing Articles of Charges against Sri B.Venkateswarlu, Prohibition & Excise Inspector, Nellore vide reference 5th read above. The charged officer Sri B.Venkateswarlu, Prohibition & Excise Inspector, Nellore has submitted his written statement of defence.

3. Government, after examination of Written Statement of Defence, appointed Sri K.Venkateswara Rao, IPS, Director of Enforcement as Inquiring Authority to conduct enquiry into the charges framed against Sri B.Venkateswarlu, Prohibition & Excise Inspector and two (2) other Prohibition & Excise Officials vide reference 7th read above. Sri N. Siva Kumar Reddy, Inspector, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Nellore as Presenting Officer to present the case on behalf Disciplinary Authority before Inquiring Authority vide reference 8th read above.

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4. In the reference 10th read above, the Inquiring Authority has submitted the inquiry report. In respect of the charged officer Sri B.Venkateswarlu, Prohibition & Excise Inspector, Nellore, the Inquiring Authority has finally reported that the entries in ExP26 and ExP 27 and depositions of PWs 37, 27 and 28 are sufficient to prove the charge. Further, the Inquiring Authority holds that the charge is **'proved'** in respect of CGS2 viz., Sri B.Venkateswarlu, the then Prohibition & Excise Inspector, Nellore presently working at Ongole.

5. Government after careful examination of the matter have communicated inquiry report to Sri B.Venkateswarlu, the then Prohibition & Excise Inspector, Nellore along with two others in the reference 11th read above.

6. Sri B.Venkateswarlu, the then Prohibition & Excise Inspector, Nellore presently working at Ongole has submitted his explanation and requested to drop further action in the matter vide reference 12th read above.

7. After examination of the matter, Government have decided to impose a penalty of withholding of two increments of pay without cumulative effect against Sri B.Venkateswarlu, the then Prohibition & Excise Inspector, Nellore presently working at Ongole as the charge framed against him is held proved.

8. Accordingly, the Government hereby impose the penalty of withholding of two increments of pay without cumulative effect against Sri B.Venkateswarlu, the then Prohibition & Excise Inspector, Nellore presently working at Ongole in terms of Rule 9 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules,1991.

9. The Commissioner of Prohibition & Excise, Andhra Pradesh, shall take necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

RAJAT BHARGAVA
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (CT, EXCISE & R&S)

To
Sri B.Venkateswarlu, the then Prohibition & Excise Inspector, Nellore presently working at Ongole through the Commissioner, Prohibition and Excise Department, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.
The Commissioner, Prohibition and Excise Department, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.
The Deputy Commissioner of Prohibition & Excise, Guntur.
Copy to:
The Secretary to Vigilance Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh Vigilance Commission, A.P.Secretariat, Velagapudi.
The Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.
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//FORWARDED :: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER